



Carlsbad Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

Crime/Incident:	187(a) P.C. Homicide	Case:	11-01985
Date:	4-1-11	Time:	0105
Location:	3500 Valley Street, Carlsbad		
Suspect 1:	Hunter, Grant	Age:	23
Suspect 2:	Yorba, Mercedes	Age:	19
Suspect 3:	Gomez, Gary	Age:	27
Victim 1:	White Male, (Refer to Medical Examiner's press release)	Age:	

Press Release: On 4-1-11, at approximately 0105 hours, Carlsbad Police officers responded to an assault with a deadly weapon call in the 3500 block of Valley Street, Carlsbad. When officers arrived on scene they found the victim severely injured. The victim was pronounced deceased at the residence. The suspects fled the scene prior to officers' arrival.

Carlsbad Police detectives conducted an investigation into this homicide. During this investigation, Carlsbad Police detectives secured a search warrant for a motel room located at the Motel 6, located at 3708 Plaza Drive, Oceanside. On 4-2-11, at approximately 0400 hours, Carlsbad Police SWAT officers served the search warrant and detained the three above listed suspects inside the motel room. Following further investigation, Suspects- Grant Hunter and Mercedes Yorba were arrested and booked into the Vista Detention Facility for 187(a) P.C. Homicide, 212.5(a) P.C. Residential Robbery, 460(a) P.C. Residential Burglary, and 182(a)(1) P.C. Conspiracy. Suspect Gary Gomez was arrested and booked into the Vista Detention Facility for 32 P.C. Accessory, 11350(a) H&S Possess Controlled Substance and 11364 H&S Possess Drug Paraphernalia. The Carlsbad Police Department is continuing this investigation in an attempt to identify and arrest any additional suspect(s) associated with this homicide.

The Carlsbad Police Department requests that any person with information regarding this incident, please call 760-931-2197.

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